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GROUP ART UNIT: 2862

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Axel vom Endt

SERIAL NO.: 10/785,447

EXAMINER: Bru B. Shrivastav

FILED: February 24, 2004

CONFIRMATION NO.: 8503

TITLE: "GRADIENT COIL FOR MRT AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME"

RESPONSE TO THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	*7	MINUS	**20	X	() X 25.00 () X 50.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	*3	MINUS	3	X	() X 100.00 () X 200.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$180.00 () \$360.00 ONE TIME	
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Applicant and his counsel have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated September 13, 2005, but believe claims 1-3 are patentable over the reference relied upon by the Examiner. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following arguments in support of patentability is therefore respectfully requested.

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 13, 2005, claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Westphal et al.

The Examiner stated the Westphal et al. reference teaches a gradient coil for a magnetic resonance tomography apparatus, including a spiral coil having an inner conductor feed section and an outer conductor feed section. The Examiner stated he is interpreting Figure 2 in the Westphal et al. reference in three-dimensions, and stated that the coils must be projected in a different plane from the carrier plate that carries the spiral coil. Applicant assumes the Examiner means that because the inner feed conductor is shown in Figure 2 as overlapping the spiral coil, this inner feed conductor must be in a different plane from the spiral coil.